New Installation Commanders and Chiefs of Staff Course 2004

Congress and the Corps

LtCol Mark Dahl

Legislative Affairs Officer

Mission

OLA assists the Commandant in attaining the needed

and .

Products and Services

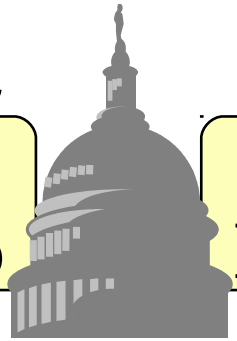
- Congressional Support for Naval Issues and Programs
- Liaison to the Hill:

  Senate Liaison Office
  House Liaison Office
- Constituent Inquiries
- Congressional Escort/Travel
- Congressional Hearings
- Advice to the Fleet

OLA Organization

- **Department of Navy**
- PROGRAMS
- BUDGET LIAISON
- REASEARCH & COORDINATION
- CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRIES

Senat e Liaison



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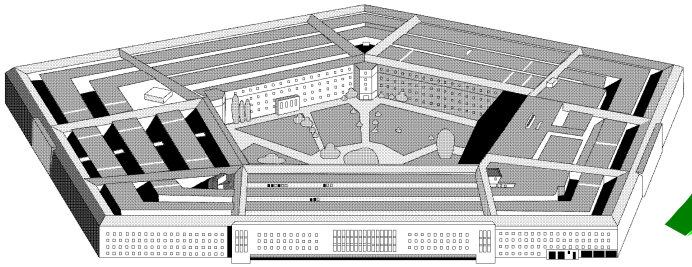
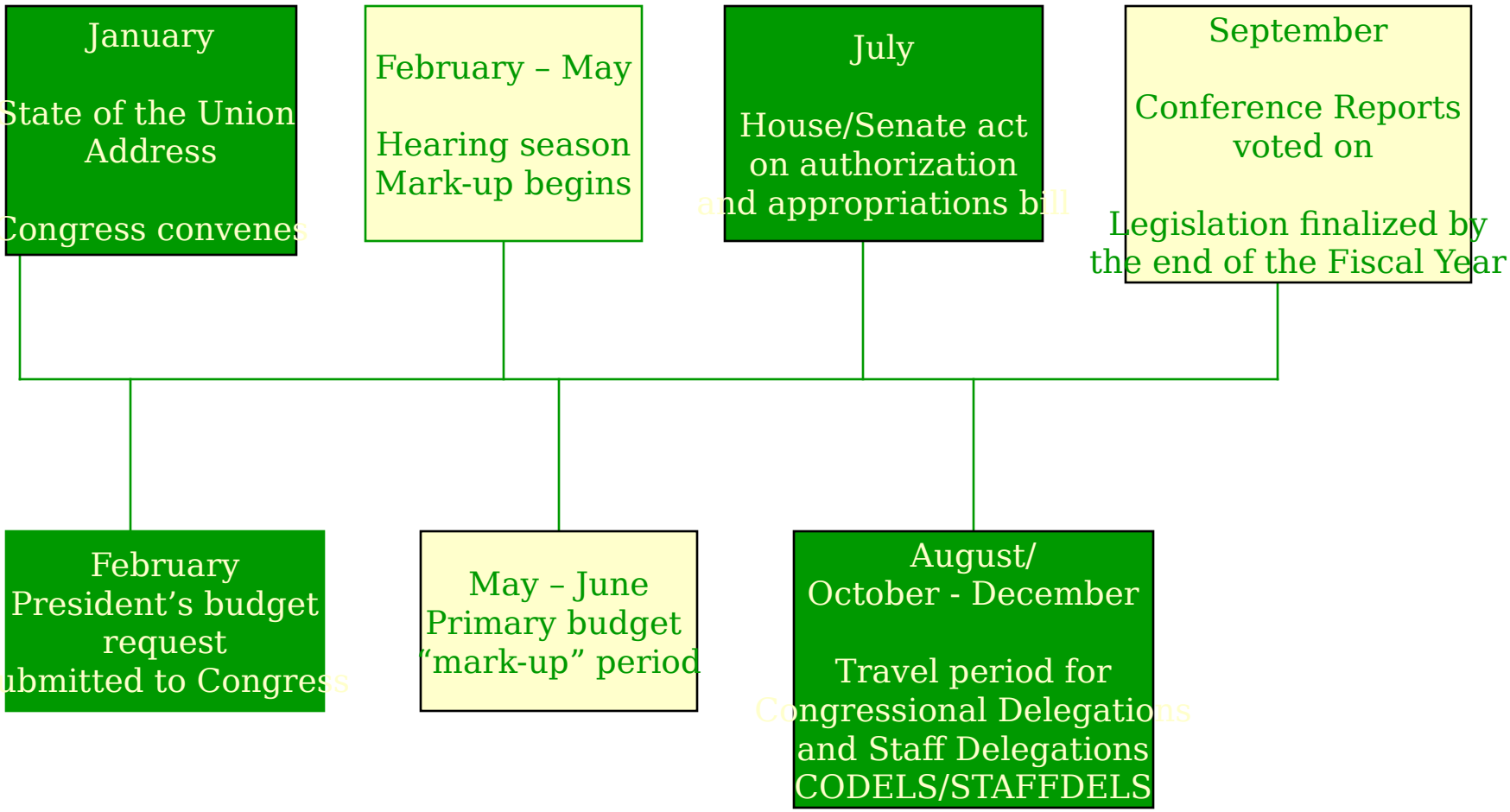


INFORM & EXPLAIN

OLA Organizational Tools

* **Liaison Officers**
* **Congressional Marines**
* **Legislative Fellows**
* **OLA IMA Det**

Typical Legislative Calendar



Leadership

Senate Armed Services
SASC
John Warner (R-VA)
Carl Levin (D-MI)

House Armed Services
HASC
Duncan Hunter (R-CA)
Ike Skelton (D-MO)

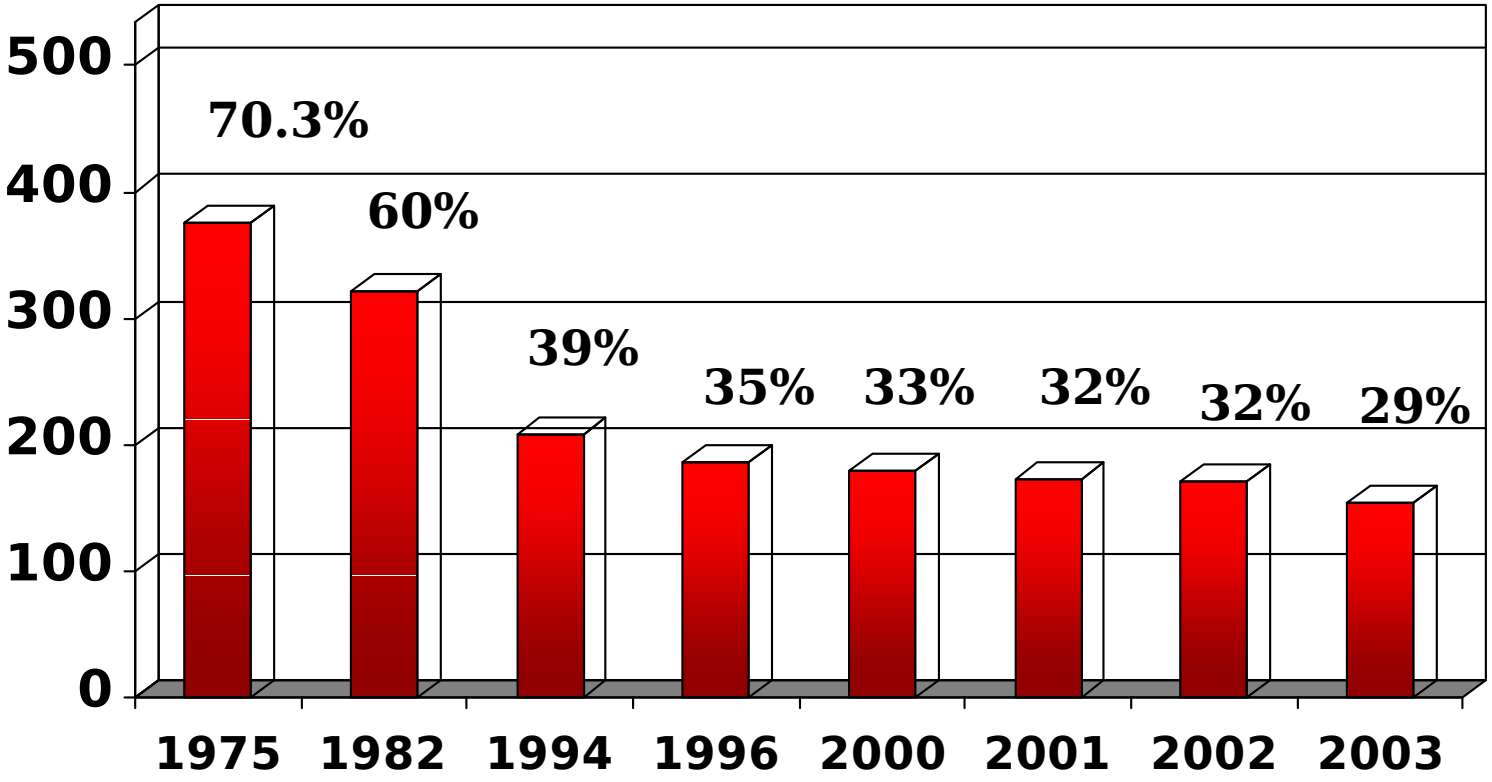
Senate Appropriations
SAC(D)/(Defense)
Ted Stevens (R-AK)
Daniel K. Inouye (D-HI)

House Appropriations
HAC(D)/(Defense)
Jerry Lewis (R-CA)
John P. Murtha (D-PA)

Authorizers *(Policy Oriented)*

Appropriators (Budget Oriented)

Congressional Demographics



Number of Veterans in Congress Over Past 28 Years

FY 2004 Legislative priorities

FOCUS - "Excellence in Warfighting"

THEMES

- Leadership
- Naval Heritage
- Warrior Legacy
- Innovation & Process
- Capabilities & Organization

key issues

CE Advocate

- Enhanced Networked Seabasing
- Command and Control Integration
- Joint Capstone Concept
- Joint Force C2
- Joint Concept Development & Experimentation
- Title X Gaming/ Experimentation

GCE Advocate

- AAAV
- Tactical Mobility
- Fires & Target acquisitio
- Infantry Lethality Enhancements
- GWOT Initiatives
- Amphibious Shipping
- Mine Counter Measures

ACE Advocate

- Essential Modifications
  - -CH-46E OSIP
  - -AV8B ELMP
  - -ECP-583
- USMC ICAP III
- CH-53E SLEP
- USMC Simulator Master Plan
- MACCS Sustainment
- AN/TPS-59 Modernization

CSSE Advocate

- Logistics Modernizati
- Enterprise Integration
  - -GCSS-MC
  - -Process Reengineeri
  - -Organizational Refor
- Seabasing
  - -Sea-based Logistics
  - -MPF(F)
- Logistics Education

SE Advocate

- Encroachment Control
- Blount Island Acquisitio
- Housing (Bachelor & Fa
  - Public Private Ventu
- Installations
  - Infrastructure Recap
  - AT/FP of Installations
- Business Reform/A76

Quality of Life - Taking Care of Marines and Their Families

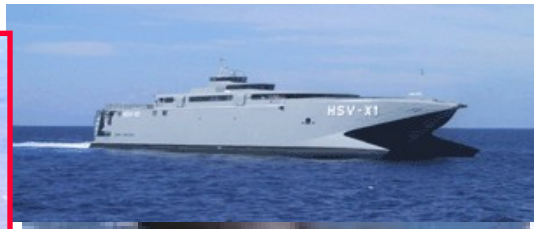
Key Programs

#1 Ground

EFV

#1 Aviatio

MV-22



Other Key Programs

- ***Light Weight 155mm***
- ***Joint Strike Fighter***
- ***Blount Island***
- ***LHA(R) / LPD-17 / HSV***

Unfunded Priorities

Total $1,335.6M

- ✓ **Milcon/Family Housing $158.6M**
- ✓ **O&M (Includes Reserve) $133.9M**
- ✓ **PANMC $102.8M**
- ✓ **PMC $255.2M**
- ✓ **RDT&E (Ground) $37.2M**

Green Total $687.7M

- ✓ **APN $236.8M**
- ✓ **RDTE (Army) $ 8.0M**
- ✓ **RDTE (Aviation) $ 5.0M**
- ✓ **WPN (Hellfire) $ 42.0M**
- ✓ **SCN $356.0M**

Blue Total $647.8M

***Does not include – LHA Midlife alterations, LHD-8,LPD adv. proc. funding, and LCAC SLEP phase 1**

Keys to Past Success

- **Open, Honest, and Candid**
- ***Absolute Credibility***
- **Legislative Strategies:**
  - **Hill Calls**
  - **Hearing Testimony**
  - **Member Travel to USMC activities**

Help Us Help You

- **Know the Commandant's Guidance/Message**
- **Keep OLA in the loop on Congressional issues**
- **Provide timely, accurate information when asked**
- **Treat Congressional Inquiries with importance**
- **Be good hosts when visited by Codels & Staffdels**
  - ✓ **get bio info from web**
  - ✓ **be familiar with interests / specialties**
  - ✓ **remember: their time is constrained – don't**

Congressional Inquiries

- **ALMAR Establishes OLA with Sole Responsibility for Congressional Inquiries**
- **OLAC prepares letters for signature based on Unit input**
- **Telephonic Inquiries**
- **Consistency is KEY!**

Different Voices, One Message

CODELS and STAFFDELS

- **Committee Letter to SecDef Requests DoD Escort; SecNav Authority for USMC Travel**
- **Opportunity to Meet MARINES instead of hearing briefings**
- **Best Selling Point for Our Programs cies is Our Ma**

CONGRESSIONAL FELLOWS

Legislative Fellowships

- **MCO 1520.28B governs**
- **Consult MARADMIN 168/03 for latest**
- **Annually select 4 fellows – Captain/Major**
- **1-yr tour to Senate or House office**
- **Tours run Jan to Jan**
- ***Great* experience**
- **May use that experience later in career**

Summary

We speak with many voices
but
with one theme

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Questions ?

We have an asymmetric relationship with Congress. They have all the money, and we want it.

--Dr. John Hamre